

Board of Selectmen Minutes
Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 7:30 pm
Town Hall Meeting Room

Attendance: First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Selectman Stephan Grozinger, Selectman Brian Gordon, Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz, Administrative Assistant Randi Derene and Weston Residents.

This meeting was videotaped and can be viewed on Channel 79 and on our Town of Weston website.

1. **Call to Order:** First Selectman Spaulding called the meeting to order at 7:30
2. Pledge of Allegiance : led by Harvey Bellin
3. **Resignation of Rod Rivera from the Veteran's Committee effective 10/16/18**
Selectman Grozinger moved to accept Rod Rivera's resignation from the Veteran's Committee effective 10/16/18. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Discussion/decision to hire Rose Cruz as Social Services Program Assistant** -
Mr. Luiz said Rose has been filling in temporarily and now would like to make her permanent. BG/SG motion carried. Selectman Gordon moved to hire Rose Cruz as Social Services Program Assistant effective November 5, 2018. Selectman Grozinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Discussion with Eversource about a transmission upgrade project.** This item is being moved to the end of the meeting.
6. First Selectman Spaulding asked for a motion to add an agenda item. Selectman Grozinger move to add to tonight's agenda, the following business item: "Discussion/Decision to hire Thomas Carlon as a Library Page." Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Director, Karen Tatarka described the page position – which is a position held by a high school student, 3 hours a week with responsibilities such as checking in and out books, shelving books, and helping with computers.

Selectman Grozinger moved to hire Thomas Carlon as Library Page. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Board member, Amy Sanborn, requested that the Library Board have authority to hire high school positions without the BOS approval. Selectman Grozinger stated this should be an agenda item at a future meeting

7. Discussion/decision to update the job description for the Library Assistant

Library Director, Karen Tatarka stated this job description hasn't been revised since 2002. She said they needed to make it more updated and current, with less paper tasks and more technology. Selectman Grozinger moved to update the job description for the Library Assistant position, as proposed. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussion/decision to update the job description for Information and Patron Services Library Assistant

Library Director, Karen Tatarka stated that there will be a title change to Library Technology Assistant. She explained added responsibilities will be for the maker space as well as social media. First Selectman Spaulding asked for a motion to update the job description for the Information and Patron Services Library Assistant, including changing the job title to "Library Technology Assistant." Selectman Gordon moved, Selectman Grozinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Fiscal Year 2018-19 1st Quarter Financial update and end-of-year projection

Finance Director, Rick Darling, reported good news to the board, explaining the reasons behind our projected surplus. He explained that much of it was due to collected back taxes and our tax sale. Mr. Darling also stated that savings from PD Overtime and Town Insurance policies. Mr. Luiz commended Mr. Darling for doing a sound job. NO MOTION

10. Discussion/Decision to authorize a \$5,000 supplemental appropriation for Board of Selectmen operating budget line item #0110110-53601, entitled "General Administration, General Supplies," for the purpose of funding a Citizen Survey

First Selectman Spaulding stated we can absorb this cost which would include printing and mailing the survey, analyzing software, road signs etc. Selectman Gordon added we will also have someone tabulate the data.

Selectman Grozinger asked if Planning & Zoning budgeted money for this survey, First Selectman Spaulding explained that the BOS they pulled that out of their budget. Selectman Grozinger moved to authorize a \$5,000 supplemental appropriation for Board of Selectmen operating budget line item #0110110-53601, entitled "General Administration, General Supplies," for the purpose of funding a Citizen Survey. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Discussion with Eversource about a transmission upgrade project.(continued)

Samantha Cloutier from Eversource made a presentation to the Board of Selectmen about the company's proposed Redding to Wilton project. Ms. Cloutier's PowerPoint presentation is attached. Members of the Board of Selectmen asked their own questions as well as questions that were sent to them in advance by residents. Discussion took place about concerns such as size of new structures, location, vegetation changes, timing of construction work, as well as communication with affected homeowners. First Selectman Spaulding stated that the Town will hold a public hearing so residents can ask questions directly to Eversource staff. Mr. Luiz asked Eversource to create a map of all the existing poles and a map of proposal so we can see a side by side comparison. He said we would like to make this available to all residents and would post it on our website.

12. Adjournment Selectman Grozinger moved to adjourn at 8:45pm, Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Randi Derene, Administrative Assistant

Approved: November 8, 2018

